

CHAPTER 410
SPECIAL MOBILE EQUIPMENT

761—410.1(321) General.

410.1(1) Special mobile equipment is defined in Iowa Code section 321.1.

410.1(2) Special mobile equipment is exempt from the titling and registration provisions of Iowa Code sections 321.18 and 321.20. However, a certificate of title may be obtained in accordance with 761—Chapter 400 for special mobile equipment that is attached to a motor truck, trailer or semitrailer. To obtain a certificate of title, the owner must pay the title fee, but need not obtain a special mobile equipment plate and certificate of identification.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.1, 321.18 and 321.21.

761—410.2(321) Special mobile equipment plate and certificate of identification.

410.2(1) An owner of special mobile equipment may apply for a special mobile equipment plate and certificate of identification. Application shall be made to the Office of Motor Carrier Services, Iowa Department of Transportation, Park Fair Mall, 100 Euclid Avenue, P.O. Box 10382, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-0382.

410.2(2) The special mobile equipment plate and certificate of identification are not transferable from one vehicle to another or from one owner to another. When ownership of special mobile equipment is transferred to another person, the former owner shall return the plate and certificate of identification issued in the former owner's name to the office of motor carrier services for cancellation.

410.2(3) Duplicate special mobile equipment plates and certificates of identification may be obtained from the office of motor carrier services. A duplicate plate costs \$5 and a duplicate certificate costs \$3.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.21 and 321.42.

761—410.3(321E) Special mobile equipment transported on a registered vehicle. The movement of special mobile equipment transported on a vehicle registered for the gross weight of the vehicle without load, as provided in Iowa Code section 321E.12, is subject to the following:

410.3(1) A vehicle registered for its gross weight without load shall not be used to transport special mobile equipment for hire.

410.3(2) The special mobile equipment (SME) plate shall be attached to its equipment and the corresponding certificate of identification shall be carried in the cab of the vehicle transporting the equipment. However, an owner of special mobile equipment may transport the equipment for 15 days after the date of purchase without the plate and certificate if a signed and dated bill of sale or other evidence of the purchase is carried in the cab of the transporting vehicle.

410.3(3) If the special mobile equipment is leased, the lease agreement or a certified copy of the lease agreement shall be carried in the cab of the transporting vehicle.

410.3(4) If any component part of special mobile equipment is removed from the equipment and is transported on the same vehicle or separately, the component part shall have affixed to it the same serial number that is affixed to the primary equipment. Also, a component part identification certificate shall be carried in the cab of the vehicle transporting the component part. Component part identification certificates are issued by the office of motor carrier services at no charge.

410.3(5) All movements of special mobile equipment shall comply with the size and weight limits in Iowa Code chapter 321 unless a permit to exceed these limits is obtained in accord with Iowa Code chapter 321E.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 321.21 and 321E.12.

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